



SAGUARO STITCHERS

AMERICAN NEEDLEPOINT GUILD

November, 2024 Newsletter



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PROGRAMS

We will be working on the pattern "Remembrance Ribbons", a fund raiser from Fail Ettinger (Needlepoint Nation) in memory of the passing of Carole. The \$25 pattern price per participant will be donated to the Texas Performing Arts Youth Program. The pattern has been updated. A letter will be sent to Carole's husband along with a list of contributors.

This will be our last project for the year.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

My goodness, I feel as though this year is rushing to its conclusion! By the time of our next meeting, it will be one week until Thanksgiving. Yikes! Costco will no doubt be selling out of Christmas trees any day now.

As most of you know, our annual Holiday luncheon will be held at our December meeting, on the 19th. We will be having box lunches and sign ups will occur at our November 21st meeting. We have a special fundraiser for the chapter that will occur at the luncheon. One of our very generous members has donated a Rebecca Woods stocking canvas, "Down the Chimney" to us. The stocking has a retail price of \$500 dollars, and we'll be selling raffle tickets for \$10. Some lucky person will be taking this home with them! I am so grateful to our member for giving us this opportunity to raise some funds for the chapter. See picture below.

I hope you can join us at our November meeting, where we will be electing our next President and Vice President for Membership.

I hope that everyone is making time to stitch during this busy time of year. I like to work on Seasonal projects (even if they won't get finished for a year), so I'll be starting work on ornaments for my grandsons to be given in 2025.

Keep stitching,

Linda



BOARD ELECTIONS

We will elect new Board members at our November meeting.
The nominations are:

President – Vicki Morrison

Membership – Sandee Crane

Nominations will be taken from the floor.

CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

We will have a box lunch at our December. More info in the
December newsletter.

CHRISTMAS PARTY GIFT EXCHANGE

Yes, it's only October.....but.....the holidays are fast approaching. Our annual holiday event will take place on December 19th on our regular meeting day. Here are the details about our gift exchange (participation is optional).

- Gift must be new (a new tool, a chart, threads, needle minder, etc.)
- Price range is \$20.
- Gift should be wrapped or placed in a gift bag (please, NO brown paper bags).
- Place your name on the bottom of your gift so the lucky recipient will know who to thank.
- ❖ When you arrive, please take your gift to the appropriate table and you will be given a number. Numbers will be drawn randomly, and each participant may choose a gift when their number is called. We ask that you then unwrap your selected gift and enjoy showing what you received.

Let's enjoy the spirit of giving, our love for the art of the needle and our friendships.

Questions –

- ❖ call/email Vicki at 770/634-7773 or vlynnmorrison@gmail.com

MINUTES
SAGUARO STITCHERS GENERAL MEETING
OCTOBER 18, 2024

The meeting was called to order by Kate Morgan, acting President, at 10:30.

We had three guests, Beth Krumbien and Mary Van Roy members visiting from California and Isabel Coburn, a friend of Kate Morgan's.

The report of the Nominating Committee was given by Sandee Crane. The following officers were nominated for a two year term,

President	Vicki Morrison
Membership Chair	Sandee Crane

A big thanks to both Sandee Crane and Beth Tischner, Nominating Committee.

Kate Morgan gave a report on the Visiting Teacher's class. The class was successful and enjoyed by all. Thank you again to Kate, Vicki and Linda.

Jan Prestin gave the Treasurer's Report,

SAVINGS (9/17/2024)	\$10,028.63
Transfer to Checking	<u>4,000.00</u>
BALANCE (10/16/2024)	\$ 6,028.70

CHECKING-Beginning Balance (9/17/2024)	\$ 1,872.17
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DISBURSEMENTS

ANG Memorial Fund, memorial for Ann Grotegood	200.00
Saguaro Stitcher's Info Cards	49.95
Faith Lutheran Church-rent for Ann Marie's class	<u>140.00</u>

TOTAL DISBURSMENTS	\$ 239.95
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CHECKING BALANCE (10/16/2024) \$ 5,674.72

TOTAL GUILD ASSETS \$11,703.42

Remaining Program budget – 317.66

We began the Remembrance Ribbons, by Carole Lake, this project will be an ongoing class that will end at the December meeting.

Our Christmas Luncheon will be December 19. Jan and La Verne will order box lunches from AJ's. The guild will contribute \$10.00/pp to the cost of the lunches. A final price and a sign-up sheet will be available at the November 21st meeting.

Vicki distributed the gift exchange guidelines, they will be published in the newsletter.

Jan took a photo of our Summer project participants holding their completed or in progress projects, The Perfect Circle.

Karen Willett won the 50/50 raffle of \$27.00. Way to go Karen!

Respectfully Submitted,

La Verne Walters



NOVEMBER 2024

NANCY RUSSELL

SOLLY TAYLOR

CAROL ROBERTS

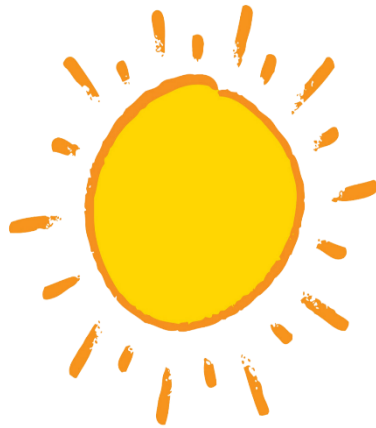
BARBARA SWALLEY



MEETING DATES FOR 2024

November 21

December 19



SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

Vicki Morrison is our Sunshine Committee contact. If any of you know of someone in our chapter who recently lost a loved one or has developed a serious illness and could use a "Thinking of You" card, please contact Vicki Morrison with name and address information so she can send them a card.

STITCH OF THE MONTH 2024 STITCH-ALONG

Twelve lessons from Purple Passion by Linda LaChance will be released on the first business day of every month, allowing members like you to follow along with the project. Make sure to visit the website!



ANG News

Tale of Two Stitchers NeedlePointers magazine wants more stitchers for this feature. They provide the painted canvas, which you have six months to complete. You provide the threads; you must keep a journal and pay the return postage of the finished canvas. You may not collaborate with your friends. After the stitching is finished, you can pay for and keep the canvas, or it will be donated to the ANG auction. Contact the Western Area Representative, Shirley Chin, if you are interested in participating. •

Quarterly Stitch - The current Quarterly Stitch posted in August. Halloween Treat by Marilyn Owen is now available! Here is the direct link. o 2024 Quarterly Stitch - American Needlepoint Guild, Inc. •

The new **50 for 50 Fundraiser** project is now available! All merchandise sales are donated directly to the fundraiser. Your kind donation will help us grow membership through focused marketing initiatives and improve the experience for our current members. This fundraiser will also help expand education opportunities through our distance learning programs and our best-in-class magazine, NeedlePointers. •

Save the Date:

2025 Spring Fling

Registration Opens: November 4, 2024 @ 12:00 PM EST. o
Registration Closes: November 26, 2024 @ 5:00 PM EST. o
Classes are expected to begin in March 2025. •

2025 ANG National Seminar August 19 - August 24, 2025 New Orleans Sheraton Hotel 500 Canal Street New Orleans, LA 70130 Be watching for the opening of class Registration. The Quest theme is Ghosts, Legends, and Treasures.

2026 Seminar Stitching on the River, July 18-23, 2026 in Denver, CO • Stitch of the Month Twelve lessons from Purple Passion by Linda LaChance will be released on the first business day of every month, allowing members to follow along with the project. The instructions are located on the ANG website under the Education tab. Webpages • Mary Legalett's Whimsical Stitch Let's celebrate whimsical and playful needlepoint stitches and designs. o <https://www.whimsicalstitch.com> • Roadrunner Needlers Chapter American Needlepoint Guild Facebook o <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100064754313899> • ANG Fundraiser Page o <https://www.needlepoint.org/page/5050fundraiser> A

2024-25 CALIFORNIA AND/OR VIRTUAL WORKSHOPS

Pat Correz of San Bernardino ANG Chapter and Baldy View EGA Chapter, coordinates workshops that are available to any stitcher regardless of membership affiliation. All teachers below have agreed to virtual (online) classes if we can't meet in person except for Pilot classes. In all cases, the dates listed are original dates for in-person classes. Groups io dates are dependent on kit shipping.

ALL CLASSES ARE IN ONTARIO, CA UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.

Contact Pat immediately if you want to be on the list for any of these classes. Also, any chapter interested in

contacting a teacher to schedule a workshop or program in conjunction with these workshops, please contact Pat Correz at egangcorre@aol.com
Pictures/descriptions are available via email.

2025

▪ **November 21-24**

- **Jennifer Riefenberg** (Ghosts allowed). See ANG website/2024 Seminar for pictures.
- <https://online.fliphtml5.com/bisk/citm>
 - Nov. 21-22, *Tall, Dark, and Handsome*
- Nov. 23-24, *Winter Fire (Poinsettia)* **2025:**
January (dates to be determined)
 - **Sue Reed Eclectic Interlude** (*Groups .io class*)
Ghosts allowed.

October 23-26

- **Toni Gerdes** (Project TBD)

GENERAL MEETING INFORMATION

- ❖ 3rd Thursday of the Month January through December
 - Social Time begins at 10:00 a.m.
 - The business meeting begins at 10:30 a.m.

Location:

Faith Lutheran Church
801 East Camelback Rd.
Phoenix, AZ

Saguaro Stitchers Membership Application

Name: _____ Date: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Preferred Phone Number: _____ Check if Mobile

Alternate Phone Number: _____ Check if Mobile

Email: _____

Check One: New Member Renewal Plural

ANG Membership Number _____ Home Chapter (if Plural) _____

Dues (Paid Annually): \$20.00 _____ Paid

Saguaro Stitchers

Please make checks payable to:

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